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SYLLABLES.

- § 1. Every syllable must begin with a consonant, except that a word may begin with ה.

The syllable may end—

(a) With a vowel. Such a syllable is called pure, or open, or simple.

(b) With a consonant, or possibly at the end of a word with two consonants. Such a syllable is called mixed or closed.

- § 2. A syllable is called *intermediate* (also half open or half closed) when it is, strictly speaking, neither pure nor mixed, but wavers between these two states.

The consonant, frequently a guttural, which tends to close it, tends also to begin the next syllable, and belongs, therefore, in a measure to the two syllables, *e. g.*, the first syllable in הֵעֵת,

מַלְכֵי, קֹדְשִׁים, יַעֲמֹד, יַעֲמֹד, qōdhā-shīm',

קַטְלָת, קִטְלִי, קִטְלִי' (fem. ma'l'khēy', qī'l'láth, qī't'lī')

of יַעֲמֹד (q'tōl), the first two syllables of יַעֲמֹד

Intermediate syllables thus wavering between the natures of pure and mixed, some look like

pure syllables, others like mixed, and in some cases grammarians disagree as to their classification.

- § 3. The nature of the syllable depends on the development of the word to which it belongs. Thus, in the qal imperative קטל the ט is joined to ל in forming a syllable. In forming from this the feminine, the addition of the termination י breaks up the mixed syllable, and removes its vowel—thus, קטלי. The ט then tends to join ק in forming a new syllable קטלי (for the first vowel see § 41); but it tends also to retain its old union with ל in forming a syllable, as is shown by the vocal sh'va under it, qı̄t'lı'. Thus the first syllable is intermediate, and the vocal sh'va echoes the dropped vowel.
- § 4. Hence, conversely, the analysis of a word is often aided by knowing the nature of a syllable, and thus its etymology is determined. Thus if ארַבם (Hos. vii. 6) were an infinitive, the first syllable would be intermediate, which it cannot be, as shown by the daghesh in ב, § 28. For the development of the infinitive see § 106.
- § 5. An asyllabic addition is an affix or suffix which in itself is not a syllable—*e. g.*, ים, ית, יו, ה, ם, ם, יו, ם.

AFFIXES AND SUFFIXES.

§ 6. Affixes and suffixes are additions to the ends of words.

The suffixes and some of the affixes are fragments of pronouns.

The affixes show the gender, number, and person of words which they terminate.

The suffixes represent the oblique cases of pronouns, and have retained even in Hebrew more of their identity and independence than the affixes, but in Latin and Greek they are expressed by separate words. In קִטְלוֹנִי the ן is an affix, and the נִי a suffix. In תִּסְפְּחוּ the ך is an affix, and הִי a suffix.

ACCENT.

§ 7. Accents may or may not mark the tone. An accent is called *prepositive* when it is always on the first letter of a word, without regard to the tone. An accent is called *postpositive* when it is always on the last letter of a word, without regard to the tone.

Those accents which mark the tone are either above or below the first consonant of the tone syllable. If below, they are to the left of any vowel point which may be under the consonant. Methegh likewise is attached to the first consonant

of its syllable and to the left of any vowel point which may be under the consonant.

In this manual the tone is marked *over* the word by an oblique stroke, and is thus distinguished from methegh.

TONE.

§ 8. When the tone is on the ultimate, a word is called *milra* (from below); when on the penult, it is called *milel* (from above).

(a) The tone is never further back than the penult—*i. e.*, two syllables.

(b) Vocal *sh'va* is a vowel sound, and with its consonant counts half a syllable in the laws of accentuation. [Hence a *sh'va* after the tone is usually silent. But in cases of a paragogic vowel, *e. g.*, לֹא local and וְ, Ps. ciii. 3, and when a conjunctive recedes before a disjunctive, the tone may stand back, *e. g.*, to the right of vocal *sh'va*; in other words, be two and a half syllables back.]

(c) The tone is called *recessive* when it is as far back as rules permit. This position is called *the tone limit*.

§ 9. No tone rests on

(a) A letter with *sh'va*, or with a vowel which has arisen from compound *sh'va*, cf. § 10 (c).

(b) A helping vowel (especially of a segholate) unless the word be a monosyllable, *e. g.*, סוֹסִיךְ.

(c) ך paragogic of nouns, particularly ך local. [Other things being equal, the tone usually avoids a paragogic vowel. But ך paragogic of nouns takes tone, Ps. cxiii.]

Remark.—§ 9 takes precedence when conflicting with other rules, *e. g.*, with §§ 11 and 16, מֶלֶךְ,

קִטְלָה

§ 10. A long vowel cannot stand in a mixed syllable, nor a short vowel in a pure syllable, without tone, or, as in some cases, methegh.

(a) If, therefore, in developing a word a long vowel is left beyond the tone limit in a mixed syllable, it must be shortened; or if a short vowel is left in a pure syllable beyond the tone limit, it must be lengthened, or else daghesh forte must be inserted in the following consonant to preserve the vowel short, hence called daghesh forte conservative.

(1) A change of quantity often involves a change of quality, particularly in the case of the last four vowels—e and i, o and u, cf. § 33.

(b) The tone tends to lengthen the short vowel of a pure syllable, and in some cases of a mixed ultimate.

(c) The vowel of an intermediate syllable is short and unaccented.

§ 11. Words in their uninflected state usually take tone on the ultimate.

POSITION OF TONE ON VERBS.

- § 12. The vowel of the second radical takes the tone when rules permit.
- § 13. In the preterite 1st and 2d masculine singular with *vav* conversive, the tone is on the ultimate (to distinguish from the same forms with *vav* conjunctive), except sometimes when the penult is pure, and also when a conjunctive recedes before a disjunctive.
- § 14. The future 2d and 3d singular with *vav* conversive take tone on the penult, if the penult is pure and the ultimate mixed.
 Remark.—§§ 13 and 14 often fail to affect a pause accent.
- § 15. Some apocopated futures being properly *segholates*, follow the rule for *segholates*. See § 9 (*b*).

TONE AS AFFECTED BY AFFIXES AND SUFFIXES.

- § 16. An asyllabic addition to a *noun* takes tone (also the initial vowel of דִּי and יִי).
- § 17. An asyllabic addition to a *verb*—
 (*a*) If affix, does not affect the tone unless other rules require.
 (*b*) If suffix, draws the tone forward one syllable.
- § 18. The addition of a pure syllable requires recessive [§ 8 (*c*)] tone.

- § 19. The addition of a mixed syllable takes tone on itself.
- § 20. Participles, infinitives, adjectives, and prepositions, are accented as nouns. Also participles and adjectives are inflected as nouns.
- § 21. The shifting of the tone towards the end of a word tends to the shortening and dropping of vowels at the beginning, especially when such shifting is due to an addition at the end.
- § 22. In pause there is a tendency to shift the tone from the ultimate to the penult.
- § 23. A pause accent changes into seghol a simple sh'va before the suffix ך and in trilateral syllables, and lengthens a short vowel.
- § 24. A conjunctive accent joins the word on which it stands more or less closely to what follows. A disjunctive separates it more or less from what follows.

METHEGH.

- § 25. (a) A syllable the second or fourth before the tone usually takes methegh, but a mixed syllable may fail to receive it or shift it to an antecedent pure syllable.
- (b) A pure syllable takes methegh if followed by a sh'va.
- (c) An intermediate syllable takes methegh also if followed by a compound sh'va, or by a vowel which has arisen from a compound sh'va, and frequently also if followed by a simple sh'va.

PRACTICAL USE OF METHEGH.

§ 26. We see, therefore, that such a word as qā-t'lāh must take methegh, thus—קָטְלָהּ.

But qōt'lāh or even qōt-lāh, with like vowel signs, *might* take methegh, though as a matter of fact this would be unusual.

Hence in such a form as קָטְלָהּ the absence of methegh proves the first syllable either mixed or intermediate [for, if simple, being followed by sh'va, it would take methegh by § 25 (b)], and, therefore, kamets short by § 30.

But the presence of methegh would not prove the first syllable pure or kamets long, though there would be a strong presumption in favor of these inferences. In such a case the only sure guide is the development of the word.

§ 27. In like manner we see that in such a form as יִרְאוּ (‘‘they shall see’’) the absence of methegh

proves that the first syllable is either mixed or intermediate [for, if pure, being followed by a sh'va, it would take methegh by § 25 (b)] and, therefore, chī-req, short by § 30. On the other hand, in

יִרְאוּ we should have reason to suspect the first syllable to be pure, and, therefore, the meaning to be ‘‘they shall fear.’’ In the manner are distinguished יִשְׁנוּ, ‘‘they shall repeat,’’ and יִשְׁנוּ,

‘‘they shall sleep.’’

DAGHESH LENE.

§ 28. B'ghadh k'phath letters take daghesh lene when not preceded by a vowel sound in close connection.

(a) Also other consonants preceded by a vowelless guttural in the same word take daghesh lene in some editions.

(b) Final kâ, kem, and ken never take daghesh lene. From this we infer that a preceding sh'va is vocal.

MAPPIQ AND RAPHE.

§ 29. Daghesh lene, daghesh forte, and mappiq have a common design—viz., to indicate the strong sound of a letter.

Map-piq (bringing out or uttering) in final ק shows that it is a consonant, and not a quiescent.

Râ-phé (weak) denotes the opposite of daghesh lene, daghesh forte, or mappiq, as the case may be.

VOWELS.

§ 30. The vowels i and u and the sign ט (qamets) are short in unaccented mixed, or in intermediate syllables. Otherwise they are long.

These are called doubtful signs, to which we may add sh'va simple.

(a) A defective chîreq is frequently long, but a full one is rarely short.

§ 31. To determine the length of the doubtful vowel in such a form as קִטְלוּ. Here it is short because in an unaccented mixed, or in an intermediate syllable.

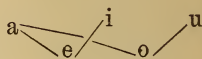
We know that the syllable is either mixed or intermediate, for if pure it would take methegh by § 25 (b).

- § 32. The sign τ (qamets), if followed by a short “o” sound (either τ or $\tau:$) is itself also very likely to be short “o,” and must be, if sympathetic.

(a) A vowel which conforms with another or with which another conforms is called “sympathetic” in this manual.

- § 33. The pure vowels are

The diphthongal vowels are



This diagram means that e is formed by combining a and i; o is formed by combining a and u.

(a) A change of quantity often involves a change of quality, more particularly in the case of the last four vowels—e and i, o and u.

(b) In *accented* syllables, before a double consonant or before two consonants, diphthongal are preferred to the pure vowels i and u (and sometimes even e is changed to a, e. g., הַקְטִילָהּ,

קִטְלָהּ, יִפֹּב from יִפֹּב.

(c) In *unaccented* syllables before a doubled consonant, the pure vowels i and u are preferred to the diphthongal e and o.

- § 34. An impure vowel is one in which a vowel letter quiesces, or after which a vowel letter has dropped out, or which contains the force of a daghesh.

- § 35. A vowel letter is called otiant when it is not sounded and yet has no vowel in which to quiesce.

§ 36. The gutturals being closely akin to the “a” sound, have a strong preference for this vowel, especially before them.

§ 37. A final vowelless guttural not preceded by an “a” sound takes pattach furtive (also a vowelless guttural followed by a final vowelless consonant takes pattach furtive).

§ 38. A guttural, especially if unaccented, between two “a” sounds will often cause one of them, more frequently the former, to become seghol (in order to give distinctness to the enunciation of the guttural).

(a) Before אַ and גַּ (ā) unaccented and before אַ (ā) (not necessarily a pure syllable), and אַ, the article is pointed with seghol, and in general a pattach is changed to seghol.

§ 39. A guttural prefers a compound to a simple sh’va, and in particular וְ, unless there is a reason for preferring some other compound sh’va. Of course such a reason exists when the sh’va should conform with an “e” or an “o” sound.

(a) A simple sh’va under a guttural is always silent.

§ 40. An initial letter with sh’va when immediately before the tone has preference for a pretonic vowel, especially qamets.

§ 41. When, in consequence of changes, two vocal sh’vas concur, for the first a short vowel is substituted (which may be called an auxiliary vowel).

1. If (*a*) both be simple [or (*b*) the first an unsympathetic compound sh'va], *i* is substituted [(*c*) unless a reason exists for preferring *a*, or *e*, or *o*.]

2. If the second be a compound sh'va the previous syllable conforms, *i. e.*, takes the homogeneous vowel.

3. If the first be (*a*) a characteristic or (*b*) a sympathetic compound sh'va, the chateph is suppressed (*e. g.*, -: becomes -).

Examples.—Of 1 (*a*): קטלי becomes קטלי, כפרי becomes כפרי.

Of 1 (*b*): עמדי becomes עמדי.

Of 1 (*c*): מלכי becomes מלכי, because pat-tach was its primitive vowel; also הַמַּעַט becomes הַמַּעַט, because the “a” sound characterizes ה interrogative; cf. 3 (*a*) of the above rule.

Of 2: יַעֲמֹד becomes יַעֲמֹד, נִדְּחָה becomes נִדְּחָה, Deut. xxx. 4.

Of 3 (*a*): הַמַּעַט becomes הַמַּעַט; cf. 1 (*c*) above.

Of 3 (*b*): תַּעֲמֹד becomes תַּעֲמֹד, אֶהְבֹּה becomes אֶהְבֹּה.

§ 42. When two simple sh'vas concur at the beginning of a word, chireq is commonly substituted for the first. [It will be observed that this rule is a repetition of § 41, 1 (*a*).]

- § 43. A final vowelless consonant does not take sh'va, but if preceded by another vowelless consonant they both take sh'va.

MAQQEPH.

- § 44. Maqqeph removes the tone from the preceding word. If thereby a long vowel is left in a mixed syllable, being toneless, it must be shortened by § 10.

NOUNS.

- § 45. Before the plural terminations and sometimes before the dual, segholates take pretonic gamets and drop their first vowel.

- § 46. Segholates revert to their primitive form—

- (a) in the singular before all suffixes;
- (b) before the termination $\text{ן } \tau$;
- (c) in the construct dual and plural;
- (d) usually in the dual absolute.

Remark 1.—This rule takes precedence when conflicting with other rules, except § 49 Remark.

Remark 2.—(c) is used in the application of § 41, 1, the construct of the plural and sometimes of the dual being formed from the absolute by applying § 49 (b).

- § 47. Before the plural and dual terminations, and before the feminine termination $\text{ן } \tau$, the following changes take place—

(a) In the ultimate, tsere is rejected, except in a monosyllable, or in a syllable preceded by gamets.

(b) In the penult, qamets and tsere are rejected, unless in the resulting form they remain pretonic.

Remark 1.—Before the dual termination, the feminine singular reverts to its primitive termination ך.

In all other cases the above terminations are added to the absolute singular masculine, which is assumed, if necessary.

Remark 2.—By the ultimate and penult in the above rule are meant, of course, the ultimate and penult of the noun before the addition in question is made.

§ 48. The ending ך of nouns is dropped before additions.

Remark.—This rule takes precedence when conflicting with other rules.

CONSTRUCT STATE.

§ 49. The construct state of each number is formed from its respective absolute.

(a) In a mixed final syllable, qamets is shortened to pattach, and so is tsere if preceded by qamets.

(b) Qamets and tsere before the tone are rejected.

Remark.—Sh'va is vocal in the construct plural and dual when arising from dropping a pretonic vowel.

§ 50. Medi l ך frequently quiesces in cholem, and medial ך in tsere in the construct and before additions.

BEFORE SUFFIXES.

- § 51. Before the grave suffixes (kem, ken, hem, and hen), all nouns take construct state.
- § 52. Before light suffixes, feminine nouns, singular and plural, take construct state.
- § 53. Before light suffixes, masculine nouns, singular and plural, take the same form as before the absolute plural termination.
- § 54. Before light suffixes, dual nouns take the same form as before the absolute dual termination.

Remark.—In applying §§ 52 and 53, a noun is treated as masculine unless it has a distinctively feminine termination.

VERBS.

- § 55. If the future qal is middle a, the imperative is middle a.

[(a) The imperative of each species is from the primitive form of its respective future by dropping the prefix of the future, and the future is from the infinitive construct by prefixing *ʔ* and contracting, if necessary; cf. the pointing of the excluded article.

- § 56. Verbs ayin guttural, lamedh guttural, and lamedh aleph have middle a in the future and imperative qal.
- § 57. In verbs lamedh guttural, tsere before the guttural is changed to pattach, except in the infinitive absolute, and participle, and in pause.

§ 58. In verbs *pe nun*—

(a) When the nun is pointed with silent *sh'va*, the nun is usually dropped, and the next letter takes *daghesh* to compensate.

(b) The nun of the *qal* imperative is usually dropped if middle *a*, very seldom if middle *o*.

(c) Nun is dropped in *qal* infinitive construct of but few verbs, and then the infinitive takes the feminine termination נ, and is of *segholate* formation.

§ 59. In verbs *ayin ayin*, the second radical frequently disappears by way of contraction, and its vowel is given to the first.

§ 60. In verbs *ayin vav* and *ayin yodh*, the middle radical gives its vowel to the first, and then either

(a) disappears, or

(b) unites with this vowel to form a diphthongal vowel, or

(c) quiesces in it after changing it to the vowel most akin to the second radical (the semi-vowel *vav* being most nearly akin to *ū*, and *yodh* to *ī*).

§ 61. In verbs *ayin ayin* and *ayin vav* the preformative usually takes a long vowel in the future *qal*, preterite *niphal*, and throughout *hiphil* and *hophal* (when not affected by the shifting of the tone; but when so affected the vowel is dropped, if mutable).

Remark.—This rule is not fundamental, but serves to illustrate the application of other rules, *e. g.*, of §§ 10 and 40.

§ 62. In verbs ayin ayin, before an affix beginning with a nun or tav, an epenthetic vowel is added—viz., *ġ* in the preterite, *ʾ* in the future and imperative.

(a) This usually occurs also in the future qal and preterites niphāl and hiphil of verbs ayin vav.

§ 63. 1. In verbs pe yodh, properly pe vav, there are two subdivisions in qal future, imperative, and infinitive construct.

(a) In the first subdivision, the yodh of the root is dropped in these parts; the preformative of the future has tsere, and the infinitive construct has the ending *ן*, and is of segholate formation.

(b) In the second subdivision, the yodh of the root is retained in these parts, the future has a middle a, and its preformative has chireq.

2. The vav is restored in niphāl, hiphil, and hophāl.

§ 64. 1. In verbs lamedh he, before an affix beginning with nun or tav, the original *ʾ* remains, but is quiescent. In the future and imperative it quiesces in seghol; in the preterite qal, in chireq; in the preterites pual and hophāl, in tsere; in the preterites of the other species, in chireq or tsere.

2. Before an affix beginning with a vowel and before a suffix, the last radical and the preceding vowel usually fall away, as also *ן* ∴ of nouns drops out before additions, cf. § 48.

§ 65. 1. The jussive of a future whose last vowel is i or u is obtained by a change to the corresponding diphthongal vowel.

2. The jussive is not used with additions at the end.

§ 66. By examining the verb qatal, it is seen that the addition of a vowel as affix (except in hiphil) causes the middle radical to lose its vowel. This analogy is not followed when involving the loss of a radical.

(a) But if this vowel is capable of taking the tone, a pause accent preserves it, and lengthens it, if short.

§ 67. Before additions, primitive forms are often restored. In particular, before suffixes the primitive forms of verbs are restored.

SYNTAX.

§ 68. לֹא indefinite in a negative sentence makes the negation universal.

§ 69. As regards the order of subject and predicate (*e. g.*, in such a sentence as—The boy is good) the general rule is that the more emphatic word precedes. Hence a predicate adjective (because usually regarded as more emphatic than the subject) usually precedes the subject.

§ 70. A *qualifying* adjective follows its noun, and takes the article, if the noun is definite.

§ 71. The force of the infinitive construct, imperative, and participle is often carried on by the future or preterite.

Q'RI AND K'THIBH.

§ 72. Hebrew manuscripts were originally written with consonants only, without any Massoretic points. This writing was called the k'thibh, *i. e.*, written. Another name for it is the Text. In most cases the text is pronounced with the Massoretic points attached to it. The Massoretic points are the vowels, daghesh forte, daghesh lene, the diacritical point, mappiq, and raphe.

When the Massorites thought an emendation necessary, as they did not dare to disturb the text, they usually placed a circle over the word in question, and placed in the margin the consonants of the word which they proposed to substitute. This marginal reading is called the Q'ri—*i. e.*, “read.” It is pronounced with the Massoretic points attached to, but not belonging to the Text. How the K'thibh or word in the Text is to be pronounced is not indicated. The points proper for its pronunciation must be supplied from one's knowledge of the language.

Note that the emended word in the Text, if pronounced with the Massoretic points there attached to it, is usually no part of speech, but a mere mixture of K'thibh and the points of Q'ri.

Note also that as regards pronunciation the distinction between Q'ri and K'thibh may be, 1st, in both consonants and points; 2d, in consonants only; or, 3d, in points only.

§ 73. SOME PRIMITIVE FORMS.

Cf. §§ 6 and 67.

1. $\text{ים} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{יָן} \\ \text{יָם} \end{array} \right. \cdot \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{יָן} \\ \text{יָם} \end{array} \right. \cdot$
2. $\text{אַתָּה} \text{ of } \text{אַתָּי} (\text{אַתָּי})$
3. $\text{קָטַל} \text{ of } \text{קָטַלְךָ}$ (see remark below).
4. $\text{קָטַלְךָ} \text{ of } \text{קָטַלְתָּ} (\text{קָטַלְתָּ})$
5. $\text{קָטַלְתָּ} \text{ of } \text{קָטַלְתָּי}$, cf. 2 above.
6. $\text{קָטַלְתָּם} \text{ of } \text{קָטַלְתָּוּם}$
7. $\text{יָקַטַל} \text{ of } \text{יָקַטַלְךָ} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{chireq auxiliary, § 41.} \\ \text{נָקַטַל} \text{ of } \text{נָקַטַלְךָ} \end{array} \right\}$
8. $\text{נָקַטַל} \text{ of } \text{נָקַטַלְךָ}$
9. $\text{קָטַל} \text{ of } \text{קָטַלְךָ}$
10. $\text{הִקָּטַל} \text{ of } \text{הִקָּטַלְךָ}$
11. $\text{סוּסָה} \text{ of } \text{סוּסָתָא}$ (cf. 4 of this table).

Remark on § 73, 3.—In qal preterite, the first radical drops its vowel when it ceases to be pretonic, owing to the addition of a suffix or of a mixed affix (*i. e.*, of an affix consisting of a mixed syllable), cf. §§ 21 and 67.

DEVELOPMENTS.

§ 74. In developing a form proceed from left to right.

(a) In developing a verb follow the analogy of קָטַל so far as to obtain the simplest form of the tense or mode in question—*i. e.*, the 3d sing. masc. (in the imperative, the 2d sing. masc.). To obtain the remaining persons and number, make the proper additions to the form thus obtained—*e. g.*, to develop the hiph. pret. 2d plur. masc. of סָבַב we do not begin by writing down הִקְטִילָתֶם for guidance, but start with its simplest form—*i. e.*, the 3d sing. masc. הִקְטִיל. Following the analogy of this we have הִסְבִּיב. Applying the proper principles we obtain הִסְבַּח. Now adding תָּם and applying the proper principles we get הִסְבַּחְתֶּם.

(b) In developing a noun, indicate what is involved, leaving blanks to be filled in reverse order—*e. g.*, let us assume the form כָּלָר to be a noun meaning horse, then indicating what according to rules is involved, we have the following to obtain my mares.

1 plur. fem. with light suffix;

2 cst. plur. fem.;

3 abs. plur. fem.;

4. abs. sing. masc.

Then starting with the last (which is given), viz., כָּלָר we fill up the blanks in reverse order—

i. e., from below up. The numbers indicate the order of the steps.

1 plur. fem. with light suffix,	כָּלָרְתִּי	4
2 cst. plur. fem., . . .	כָּלָרְתִּי	3
3 abs. pl. fem., . . .	כָּלָרְתִּי	2
4 abs. sing. masc., . . .	כָּלָר	1

EXAMPLES IN DEVELOPMENTS.

NOUNS.

Assuming כָּלָר to be a noun, meaning horse, develop the following:

§ 75. My horse. This involves the following steps:

1 sing. masc. with light suffix, כָּלָרִי 3. § 53.

2 abs. pl. masc., . . . כָּלָרִים 2. § 47 (b)

3 abs. sing. masc, . . . כָּלָר 1.

§ 76. My horses.

1 pl. masc. with light suffix, כָּלָרֵי 3. § 53.

2 abs. pl. masc., . . . בְּלָדִים 2. § 47 (b)

3 abs. sing. masc., . . . בֶּלֶד 1.

§ 77. Your horse.

1 sing. masc. with grave, בְּלֶדְכֶם 3. § 51 and § 28.

2 est. sing. masc., . . . בֶּלֶד 2. § 49 (a) and (b).

3 abs. sing. masc., . . . בֶּלֶד 1.

§ 78. Your horses.

1 pl. masc. with grave suffix, בְּלָדֵיכֶם 4. § 51.

2 est. pl. masc., בְּלָדֵי 3. § 41, 1 (a) & § 49 Rem.

(בְּלָדֵי) § 49 (b).

3 abs. pl. masc., . . . בְּלָדִים 2. § 47 (b)

4 abs. sing. masc., . . . בֶּלֶד 1.

§ 79. My mare.

1 sing. fem. with light suffix, בְּלָדָתִי 4. § 52.*

2 est. sing. fem., . . . בְּלָדָת 3. § 41, 1 (a)

(בְּלָדָת) § 49 (b).

* Tone by § 16, hence kamets by § 10 (a).

3 abs. sing. fem., . . . כְּלָדָה 2. § 47 (b).

4 abs. sing. masc., . . . כֶּלֶד 1.

§ 80. My mares.

1 pl. fem. with light suffix, כְּלָדַי 4. § 52.

2 cst. pl. fem., כְּלָדַת 3. § 41, 1 (a) & § 49 Rem.

(כְּלָדַת) § 49 (b).

3 abs. pl. fem., . . . כְּלָדָת 2. § 47 (b).

4 abs. sing. masc., . . . כֶּלֶד 1.

§ 81. Your mare.

1 sing. fem. with grave suffix, כְּלָדְתְּכֶם 4. § 51
and § 28.

2 cst. sing. fem., . . . כְּלָדֶת 3. § 41, 1 (a).

(כְּלָדֶת) § 49 (b).

3 abs. sing. fem., . . . כְּלָדָה 2. § 47 (b).

4 abs. sing. masc., . . . כֶּלֶד 1.

§ 82. Your mares.

1 pl. fem. with grave suffix, כְּלָדַיְכֶם 4. § 51.

2 cst. pl. fem., כְּלָרֹת 3. § 41, 1 (a) & § 49 Rem.

(כְּלָרֹת) § 49 (b).

3 abs. pl. fem., . . . כְּלָרֹת 2. § 47 (b).

4 abs. sing. masc., . . . כָּלָר 1.

§ 83. My twin horses.

1 dual masc. with light suffix, כְּלָרַי 3. § 54.

2 abs. dual masc., . . . כְּלָרַיִם 2. § 47 (b).

3. abs. sing. masc., . . . כָּלָר 1.

§ 84. Your twin horses.

1 dual masc. with grave suffix, כְּלָרַיְכֶם 4. § 51.

2 cst. dual masc., כְּלָרַי 3. § 41, 1 (a) & § 49 Rem.

(כְּלָרַי) § 49 (b).

3 abs. dual masc., . . . כְּלָרַיִם 2. § 47 (b).

4 abs. sing. masc., . . . כָּלָר 1.

§ 85. My twin mares.

1 dual fem. with light suffix, כְּלָרָתִי 4. § 54.

2 abs. dual fem., . . . בְּלָדְתִּים 3. § 41, 1 (a).

(בְּלָדְתִּים) § 47, Rem. 1 & (b).

3 abs. sing. fem. pr. form, . . . בְּלָדָת 2.

(בְּלָדָה) § 47 b).

4 abs. sing. masc., . . . בְּלָד 1.

§ 86. Your twin mares.

1 dual fem. with grave suffix, בְּלָדְתֵיכֶם 5. § 51.

2 cst. dual fem., . . . בְּלָדְתֵי 4. § 49 (b).

3 abs. dual fem., . . . בְּלָדְתִּים 3. § 41, 1 (a).

(בְּלָדְתִּים) § 47, Rem. 1 & (b) & § 10.

4 abs. sing. fem. pr. form, . . . בְּלָדָת 2.

(בְּלָדָה) § 47 b).

5 abs. sing. masc., . . . בְּלָד 1.

SEGHOLATES.

Assuming the form בְּלָד with primitive vowel pattahh to mean horse, develop the following.

§ 87. My horse.

1 sing. masc. with light suffix, כִּלְיָי 2. § 46 (a)

& R. 1.

2 primitive form, . . . כִּלְיָ 1.

§ 88. My horses.

1 pl. masc. with light suffix, כִּלְיָי 3. § 53.

2 abs. pl. masc., . . . כִּלְיָיִם 2. § 45.

3 abs. sing. masc., . . . כִּלְיָ 1.

§ 89. Your horse.

1 sing. masc. with grave suffix, כִּלְיָכֶם 2. § 46

(a) & Rem. 1.

2 primitive form, . . . כִּלְיָ 1.

§ 90. Your horses.

1 pl. masc. with grave suffix, כִּלְיָיְכֶם 4. § 51.

2 est. pl. masc., (כִּלְיָי § 49 b), כִּלְיָי 3. § 41,

1 (c), § 46 (c), and § 49, Rem.

3 abs. pl. masc. and pr. form, כִּלְיָיִם 2. § 45.

כִּלְיָ

4 abs. sing. masc., . . . כִּלְיָ 1.

§ 91. My mare.

- 1 sing. fem. with light suffix, בְּלִדְתִּי 4. § 52.
 2 cst. sing. fem., . . . בְּלִדַת 3. § 49.
 3 abs. sing. fem., בְּלִדָה 2. § 46 (b) & Rem. 1.
 4 primitive form, . . . בְּלִד 1.

§ 92. My mares.

- 1 pl. fem. with light suffix, בְּלִדְתִּי 4. § 52.
 2 cst. pl. fem., (בְּלִדְתִּי § 49, b), בְּלִדַת 3. § 41,
 1 (c), § 46 (c), and § 49, Rem.
 3 abs. pl. fem. and pr. form, בְּלִדְתִּי 2. § 45. בְּלִד
 4 abs. sing. masc., . . . בְּלִד 1.

§ 93. Your mare.

- 1 sing. fem. with grave suffix, בְּלִדְתְּכֶם 4. § 51
 and § 28.
 2 cst. sing. fem., . . . בְּלִדַת 3. § 49.
 3 abs. sing. fem., בְּלִדָה 2. § 46 (b), & Rem. 1.
 4 primitive form, . . . בְּלִד 1.

§ 94. Your mares.

- 1 pl. fem. with grave suffix, בְּלָדֶיכֶם 4.
 2 est. pl. fem. (בְּלָדָתָ § 49, *b*) בְּלָדָתָ 3. § 41,
 1 (*c*), § 46 (*c*), and § 49 Rem.
 3 abs. pl. fem. and pr. form, בְּלָדָתָ 2. § 45. בְּלָדָה
 4 abs. sing. masc., . . . בְּלָדָה 1.

§ 95. My twin horses.

- 1 dual masc. with light suffix, בְּלָדָי 3. § 54.
 2 abs. dual masc., בְּלָדָיִם 2. § 46 (*d*) & Rem. 1.
 3 pr. form., . . . בְּלָדָי 1.

§ 96. 1. Your twin horses.

- 1 dual masc. with grave suffix, בְּלָדֶיכֶם 4. § 51.
 2 est. dual masc., . . . בְּלָדָי 3. § 49 & 46 (*c*).
 3 abs. dual masc. and pr. form, בְּלָדָיִם 2. § 46
 (*d*) and Rem., בְּלָדָי
 4 pr. form, . . . בְּלָדָי 1.

2. If the absolute dual have pretonic kamets, as it sometimes has, § 36, the development is as follows:

1 dual masc. with grave suffix, **בְּלִדֵיכֶם** 4. § 51.

2 cst. dual masc. (**בְּלִדֵי** § 49 (*b*), & Rem.) **בְּלִדֵי**

3. § 41, 1 (*c*), § 46 (*c*), & § 49, Remark.

3 abs. dual masc. and pr. form, **בְּלִדֵיִם** 2. § 45,

בְּלִדֵי

4 abs. sing. masc., . . . **בְּלִדֵי** 1.

§ 97. My twin mares.

1 dual fem. with light suffix, **בְּלִדְתִי** 4. § 54.

2 abs. dual fem., . **בְּלִדְתִים** 3. § 47, Rem. 1.

3 abs. sing. fem. pr. form, **בְּלִדְתִי** 2.
(**בְּלִדְתִי** § 46, *b*)

4 pr. form, . . . **בְּלִדְתִי** 1.

§ 98. Your twin mares.

1 dual fem. with grave suffix, **בְּלִדְתֵיכֶם** 5. § 51.

2 dual fem. cst., . . . **בְּלִדְתֵי** 4. § 49 (*b*).

3 abs. dual. fem., **בְּלִדְתֵיִם** 3. § 47, Rem. 1.

4 abs. sing. fem. pr. form, בִּלְדָּה 2. (בִּלְדָּה)
§ 46 b).

5 pr. form, . . . בִּלְדִּי 1.

§ 99. To develop בִּלְדִּי from בל

The addition י takes tone by § 16. This would give בִּלְדִּי . But the root being בִּלְל , the ל must take daghesh to represent the second ל . This would give בִּלְדִּי , which by §§ 10 and 33 (c) becomes בִּלְדִּי .

VERBS.

With suffixes. See §§ 67 and 74.

§ 100. To develop קִטְּלוּ . From § 73, 3, we have קִטְל .
Adding הו and connecting vowel of pret.,
 קִטְּלוּהו . Tone by § 18. By § 10 we have
 קִטְּלוּהו , which by contraction becomes (a + u
= o) קִטְּלוּ .
(a). By a like contraction $\text{קִטְּלוּהו} = \text{קִטְּלוּ}$.

Note.—W, y, and sometimes h coming between two vowels are sometimes lost in the vowel stream surrounding them.

§ 101. To develop קִטְלָהּ

From § 73, 3, we have קִטַּל Adding ה־ and connecting vowel of pret. קִטְלָהּ Tone by § 18. By § 10 we have קִטְלָהּ To avoid the recurrence of so many successive “a” sounds, the last one is dropped, and a mappik is placed in ה־ to indicate its character as a consonant קִטְלָהּ

§ 102. To develop קִטְלָהּ From § 73, 3, we have קִטַּל Adding ת - the old feminine termination, קִטְלָת § 73, 4. Tone by § 17 (a). Adding ה־ and accenting by § 18, lengthening vowel of ט by § 10, קִטְלָתֶּהּ which by contraction become קִטְלָהּ

(a) In like manner קִטְלָתֶּהּ contracts into קִטְלָהּ

§ 103. To develop קִטְלָתֶּם By § 73, 3, we have קִטַּל which by the addition of the old feminine ending ת - becomes קִטְלָת § 73, 4. On adding the suffix ׀ the question arises whether to use ä or ā as the union vowel. Now, in either case we should have an asyllabic addition to a verb as suffix, which by § 17 (b) draws the tone

forward (only) one syllable, and, therefore, not far enough to reach the union vowel. The latter, therefore, by § 10, cannot be ā. Hence we have קטלתם which by § 10 (b) becomes קטלתם

§ 104. To develop קטלתני By § 73, 5, we have קטלתי which by the addition of נִי becomes קטלתני

§ 105. To develop קטלתוני By § 73, 6, we have קטלתום Adding נִי and rejecting ם for euphony, קטלתוני

§ 106. To develop קטלתי Starting with קטל (inf. est.), and adding י we have, after the analogy of § 66, קטלתי which by § 41, 1 (c), on account of the dropped “o” sound, becomes קטלתי, the first syllable being intermediate, §§ 2 and 3.

VERBS PE GUTTURAL.

§ 107. To develop עמדִי qal imperative. After the analogy of קטל we should have עמדִי which

by § 39 becomes עֲמֹד. Adding י, we have by § 66 עֲמֹדִי which by § 41, 1 (b) becomes עֲמֹדִי, the first syllable being intermediate.

§ 108. To develop יַעֲמֹד. After the analogy of יִקְטֹל § 73, 7, we should have יַעֲמֹד, which by § 39 becomes יַעֲמֹד, which by § 41, 2, becomes יַעֲמֹד, methegh by § 25 (c). The first syllable is intermediate. Adding י, by § 66 we have יַעֲמֹדִי, which by § 41, 3 (b), becomes יַעֲמֹדִי. The first two syllables are intermediate.

§ 109. To develop נַעֲמֹד. After the analogy of נִקְטֹל § 73, 8, we should have נַעֲמֹד which, by § 39 and § 41, 2, would become נַעֲמֹד. But as the recurrence of so many successive “a” sounds is avoided when they are not *essential*, ∴ is used, being the compound sh’va next akin to -∴. We thus have נַעֲמֹד. Adding י, by § 66 we have נַעֲמֹדִי, which, by § 41, 3 (b), becomes נַעֲמֹדִי. (a) In like manner is developed יַחֲזִיקוּ.

§ 110. To develop יַעֲמֹד. After the analogy of יִקְטֹל we should expect יַעֲמֹד. But the guttural not

being able to take daghesh, and the preceding vowel being lengthened in consequence, the latter becomes tsere by § 33 (a).

§ 111. To develop הֶעֱמִיר. After the analogy of הֶקְטִיל we should have הֶעֱמִיר. By § 39, ע should take a compound sh'va. But as this vowel should be homogeneous with that of the preformative, and as there is no such compound sh'va as chateph-chireq, the preformative takes the vowel next akin to chireq, viz., seghol, which has a homogeneous compound sh'va. We thus get הֶעֱמִיר.

§ 112. To develop הֶעֱמִירָה. After the analogy of הֶקְטִיל we should have הֶעֱמִיר. By § 39, the sh'va conforming with the short "o" sound, we have הֶעֱמִיר. Adding הַר we have, by § 66, הֶעֱמִירָה, which by § 41, 3 (b) becomes הֶעֱמִירָה.

VERBS AYIN GUTTURAL.

§ 113. To develop שִׁחַטִּי. Following the analogy of קָטַל in the pointing of its first radical, but § 56 in the vowel of its second radical, we have שִׁחַט. Adding י, and applying § 66, we have שִׁחַטִּי, which by § 41, 2, becomes שִׁחַטִּי.

§ 114. To develop בִּרְךָ. By analogy of קָטַל we should have בִּרְךָ. But, owing to the inability of ר to take daghesh forte, chireq is lengthened, and by § 33 (a) becomes tsere, thus giving בִּרְךָ.

§ 115. To develop בִּרְךָ. After the analogy of קָטַל we should have בִּרְךָ. But, owing to the inability of ר to take daghesh forte, qibbuts is lengthened, and by § 33 (a) becomes cholem, thus giving בִּרְךָ.

VERBS PE NUN.

§ 116. To develop הִגִּישׁ. After the analogy of הִקְטִיל we should have הִנְגִּישׁ, which by § 58 (a) becomes הִגִּישׁ.

§ 117. To develop הִגִּישׁ. By analogy of הִקְטִיל we should have הִנְגִּישׁ, which by § 58 (a) becomes הִגִּישׁ, and this by § 33 (c) becomes הִגִּישׁ.

VERBS AYIN DOUBLED.

§ 118. To develop סְבוּתָם. By analogy of קָטַל (§ 73, 3), we should have סְבָב, which by § 59 becomes

סב. Adding תם, and ך by § 62, and inserting daghesh on account of the omitted ב, we have סבֹותם.

§ 119. To develop תספִינָה. By analogy of יקטֹל (§ 73, 7), we should have יסבֹב, which by § 59 becomes יסב, and this יסב § 40. Attaching the proper prefix and affix, we have תספִינָה, which by § 62 becomes תספִינָה (tone by § 18, and daghesh on account of the omitted ב). Applying § 33 (c), and dropping pretonic gamets, because ת is no longer immediately before the tone (cf. also § 21), we have תספִינָה.

§ 120. To develop נסבֹות. After the analogy of נקטֹל (§ 73, 8), we should have נסבֹב, which by § 59 becomes נסב, and this נסב § 40. Adding ת, and cholem by § 62, we have נסבֹות (tone by § 18, and daghesh to compensate for the omitted ב). Dropping pretonic gamets because נ is no longer immediately before the tone (cf. also § 21), we have נסבֹות.

§ 121. To develop תסבֹות. By analogy of תקטֹל

we should have **הִסְבִּיב**, which by § 59 becomes **הִסִּיב**, and this by § 33 (*b*) (**ב** being doubled here) becomes **הִסֵּב**, which by § 10 becomes **הִסֵּב**. Adding **ת**, applying § 62, accenting, and applying § 33 (*c*) and § 21, we have **תִּסְבֹּת**.

§ 122. To develop **תִּסְבִּינָה**. After the analogy of **יִקְטִיל** we should have **יִסְבִּיב**, which by § 59 becomes **יִסִּיב**, and this by § 33 (*b*) (**ב** being doubled here) becomes **יִסֵּב**, which by § 10 becomes **יִסֵּב**. Attaching the proper prefix and affix, we have **תִּסְבִּנָה** which by § 62 becomes **תִּסְבִּינָה** (tone by § 18 and daghesh on account of omitted **ב**). Applying 33 (*c*), and dropping pretonic gamets, because **ת** is no longer immediately before the tone (cf. also § 21), we have **תִּסְבִּינָה**.

§ 123. To develop **יִסְבִּנִי**. § 122 shows us how to obtain **יִסֵּב**. Adding the suffix, and the connecting vowel of the future, we have **יִסְבִּנִי** (tone by § 18). Inserting daghesh on account of the omitted **ב**, applying § 33 (*c*), and dropping gamets, because no longer immediately before the tone (cf. also § 21), we have **יִסְבִּנִי**.

§ 124. To develop הוֹסֵב. By analogy of הִקְטִיל we should have הִסְבֵּב, which by § 59 becomes הִסֵּב, and this by § 10 becomes הוֹסֵב.

VERBS AYIN VAV.

§ 125. To develop וַיִּקֹּם. Adding י to the qal inf. קוֹם by § 55 (a), we have יִקֹּם, which by § 40 becomes יִקֹּם (cf. also 61). Vav conversive requires the jussive form, and this by § 65, 1, is יִקֹּם. Prefixing the vav, accenting by § 14, and applying § 10, we have וַיִּקֹּם.

§ 126. To develop קִמְנָה. § 125 gives the development of the qal fut., from which, by dropping the prefix (§ 55, a), we get the imperative קוֹם. Adding נָה accenting by § 18, and applying § 33 (b), we get קִמְנָה.

§ 127. To develop נִקֹּם. After the analogy of נִקְטִיל § 73, 8, we should have נִקֹּם, which by § 60 becomes נִקֹּם, and then by § 60 (b) נִקֹּם, and this by § 40 נִקֹּם.

§ 128. To develop הִקִּים. After the analogy of הִקְטִיל we should have הִקִּים, which by § 60 becomes

הַקִּיּוֹם, and then by § 60 (a) הַקִּיִּם, and this by § 10 הַקִּים.

§ 129. To develop וַיִּקֶּם. Adding י to the hiph. inf. הַקִּיִּם by § 55 (a) we have יַהֲקִיִּם, and by contraction, after the analogy of the excluded article, יִקֶּם. Vav conversive requires the jussive form, and this by § 65, 1, is יִקֶּם. Prefixing the vav, accenting by § 14, and applying § 10, we get וַיִּקֶּם.

§ 130. To develop הוֹקֵם. After the analogy of הַקִּטֵּל we should have הַקִּיִּם, and then by § 60 הַקִּיּוֹם which by § 60 (a) becomes הַקֵּם, and then by § 10 הוֹקֵם.

VERBS PE YODH PR. PE VAV. (See § 63.)

§ 131. To develop נוֹשֵׁב. After the analogy of נִקְטֵל (§ 73, 8) we should have נוֹשֵׁב. By § 41, 1 (a) we should expect נוֹשֵׁב. But as i and u (the u being represented here by the semi-vowel vav) cannot combine (§ 33), and i is not here an essential or characteristic vowel, but only an accidental or auxiliary vowel, while pattach, the next shortest vowel, can combine with u, there-

fore pattach is substituted as the auxiliary vowel, thus giving **נוֹשֵׁב**, and by combination **נוֹשֵׁב**.

§ 132. To develop **הוֹשִׁיב** (preterite). By analogy of **הִקְטִיל** we should have **הוֹשִׁיב**. But as i and u cannot combine (§ 33), we resort to the primitive pointing **הוֹשִׁיב** (§ 73, 10), which by combination gives **הוֹשִׁיב**.

§ 133. To develop **הוֹשֵׁב**. By analogy of **הִקְטִיל** we should have **הוֹשֵׁב**. By the quiescence of vav in the “o” sound, we have **הוֹשֵׁב**, which by § 10 becomes **הוֹשֵׁב**.

VERBS PROPERLY PE YODH.

§ 134. To develop **יִיטִיב**. After the analogy of **יִקְטִיל** we should have **יִיטִיב**, which by combination (§ 33) gives **יִיטִיב**, the second yodh in this last word being merely a quiescent.

VERBS LAMEDH HE.

§ 135. To develop **גָּלוּ**. By analogy of **קָטַל** we should have **גָּלוּ** with its original yodh. Adding וּ, and applying § 66 we have **גָּלוּי** (tone by § 17 [a], § 8

[a] and [b] and § 9 [a]), which by § 64, 2 becomes
 גָּלוּ.

Remark. Note that if the word were milel it would be the same part of the root גָּלוּ or גָּלַל. The singular being גָּל the addition of ך disturbs no vowel, but leaves the tone were it was, thus
 גָּלוּ.


§ 136. To develop יִגְלֵ. After the analogy of יִקְטֹל, except that these verbs are properly middle *a* in the future, we have יִגְלֵי, which by combination, § 33 (*i* being represented here by the semi-vowel yodh), becomes יִגְלֶה, ה being merely a quiescent here. Apocopating gives us יִגְלֵ which by § 33 (*b*) may become יִגְלֵי. Taking a helping vowel it becomes יִגְלֵי, tone by § 9 (*b*) and § 15.

Remark. By the same combination the noun שִׁיר becomes שִׁירָה.

§ 137. To develop יִהְיֶה. § 136 shows us the development so far as יִהְיֶה. Apocopating gives יִהְיֵי. Final yodh, being more difficult to pronounce without a vowel than initial yodh, attracts and quiesces in

the homogeneous vowel chireq, which the first yodh surrenders. We thus get יִהְיֶה.

§ 138. To develop יִשְׁתַּחֲוֶה, hithpalel of שָׁחָה, in which conjugation the last radical is doubled, thus—יִתְקַטֵּל, instead of the middle as in יִתְקַטֵּל, the hithpael. After the analogy, then, of יִתְקַטֵּל (except that the guttural takes, as usual, compound sh'va, and that the last radical vav conforms to the laws of lamedh he verbs, and so the second vav here disappears) we have יִתְשַׁחֲוֶה, which by metathesis becomes יִשְׁתַּחֲוֶה. Apocopating we have יִשְׁתַּחֲוֶה. In order to aid in the pronunciation, vav is here softened into its homogeneous vowel *u* (shureq), which, being here a helping vowel, does not take tone, § 9 (*b*). We thus get יִשְׁתַּחֲוֶה.



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